

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES Thursday, June 25, 2009 4:00 pm / Library

## I. <u>PRELIMINARY:</u>

- A. CALL TO ORDER: James Paleno, Vice-Chair, 4:11PM
- B. ROLL CALL

<u>Members Present:</u> Amy Dresser Held Darcy Stamler Steve Klima (abst) John Callas James Paleno Karen Perkins

Patrice Fisher Rene Rodman (abst.) John Riley (arrived 4:20) Torino Johnson Victoria Francis <u>Ex-officio</u> Greg Wood (arrived 4:30) Ramin Badiyan (abst) Martin Griffin (abst)

### II. <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u>:

Non-agenda items: No individual presentation shall be for more than two (2) minutes and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed sixteen (16) minutes. Board members will not respond to presentations and no action can be taken. However, the Board may give direction to staff following a presentation. Use of names of individuals should be avoided when referring to accusations or wrongdoing (names should be presented to the Executive Director for follow-up action). Speakers may choose to speak during the public comment segment and/or at the time an agenda item is presented.

- Susan Frank, a parent, spoke regarding the need for all stakeholders to receive email notification about special board meetings.
- Monica Ianessa, Director of Student Services, spoke about the open administrative positions.

### III. <u>ACTION ITEMS</u>:

- A. BOARD DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO AUTHORIZE HIRING AND ENTERING INTO AN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT WITH DIRECTOR OF INSTRUCTION CANDIDATE
  - > This item was tabled until closed session.
- B. BOARD DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO AUTHORIZE HIRING AND ENTERING INTO AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT THE DIRECTOR OF STUDENT ACTIVITIES, ATHLETICS AND DISCIPLINE CANDIDATE
  - Jennifer Avant Eustice described the hiring committee's process of evaluating candidates for this position which narrowed the field from 28 candidates to three top candidates. Russel Howard, Pali High Dean of Discipline, emerged as the strongest candidate and was recommended for the position by a unanimous vote by the hiring committee.
  - Patrice Fisher moved that the Board authorize the hiring and entering into an employment agreement of Russel Howard for the Director of Student Activities, Athletics and Discipline. Torino Johnson seconded the motion.

### **BOARD ACTION:**

9 - yes (Ms. Darcy Stamler, Ms. Vicky Francis, Mr. James Paleno, Ms. Patrice Fisher, Mr. Torino Johnson, Dr. Karen Perkins, Ms. Amy Dresser Held, Ms. Vicky Francis, Mr. John Callas)

2 – absent (Rene Rodman, Steve Klima)

#### IV. **DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS:**

A. BOARD DISCUSSION OF RECRUITMENT AND SEARCH FIRM OPTIONS TO FILL TOP LEADERSHIP POSITIONS.

The Board Vice-Chair then announced agenda items for closed session.

#### V. **CLOSED SESSION: 4:40PM**

- A. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT:
  - 1) PRINCIPAL 2009-2010
  - 2) DIRECTOR OF INSTRUCTION 2009-2010
  - John Callas moved that the Board authorize the hiring and entering into an employment agreement of  $\geq$ Richard Thomas as Director of Instruction. Torino Johnson seconded the motion. **BOARD ACTION:**

9 - ves (Ms. Darcy Stamler, Ms. Vicky Francis, Mr. James Paleno, Ms. Patrice Fisher, Mr. Torino Johnson, Dr. Karen Perkins, Ms. Amy Dresser Held, Ms. Vicky Francis, Mr. John Callas)

2 - absent (Rene Rodman, Steve Klima)

3) DIRECTOR OF STUDENT ACTIVITES, ATHLETICS AND DISCIPLINE - 2009-2010

### VI. **PUBLIC SESSION: 5:35PM**

James Paleno reported out the actions taken in closed session (See above. If no action is noted under a specific item, no action was taken.)

#### VII. **ADJOURNMENT: 5:36PM**